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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
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CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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PCT/IB2004/001102INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE
08 April 2004PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
11 April 2003

TITLE OF INVENTION

Recovery of Platinum Group Metals

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
 - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☒ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).
11. ☐ A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).
12. ☒ A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).

Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:

13. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
14. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
15. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
16. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
17. ☐ A substitute specification.
18. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
19. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
20. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
21. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
22. ☒ Express Mail Label No. **EV623708244US**
23. ☒ Other items or information:

Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney

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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 0.00	
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Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find the following documents in the above-identified application for Letters Patent of the United States:

X Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office
 (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 USC 371 (Form PTO-1390)
X A copy of the Published International Application (44 pages including FIGS. 1-13)
X A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210)
X Preliminary Amendment
X Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney
X Transmittal Letter
X Return-addressed Postcard

Basic National Fee	\$ 300.00
Additional Fees:	
Search Fee	\$ 500.00
Examination Fee	\$ 200.00
Total number of claims (including multiple dependent claims) <u>17</u>	
Total number of claims in excess of 20, times \$50	\$ 0.00
Number of independent claims <u>1</u>	
Number of independent claims minus 3, times \$200	\$ 0.00
Fee for multiple dependent claims (\$360)	\$ 0.00
Fee for each additional 50 sheets exceeding 100 (\$250)	\$ 0.00
Surcharge of \$130 for furnishing the oath or Declaration later than 30 months	\$ 130.00

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PRIORITY CLAIM:

This is U.S. National Phase Application under 35 U.S.C 371 of International Application No. PCT/IB2004/001102 filed April 8, 2004, and published on October 21, 2004, in the English language under International Publication Number WO 2004/090178 A1, which claims the benefit of PCT/AU03/00435 filed April 11, 2003 and South Africa Application No. 2003/5682 filed July 23, 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,

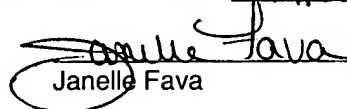
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